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### AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

detecting that a connection is lost while a call between a telephone and a party is  
in progress;

prompting for a message in response to the detecting; ~~and~~

saving the message until the connection is available;

sending the message after the connection is available to the party of the call; and

requesting, from the telephone to a server, that the server send a transcript of  
previously-sent messages stored at the server from the server to the party of the call after  
the connection is available.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1~~claim 3~~, wherein the sending further  
comprises:

sending the message to the party~~a party~~ of the call via the server~~a server~~.

5. (Original) The method of claim 4, further comprising:

receiving an acknowledgment from the server; and

presenting the acknowledgment.

6. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:

means for detecting that a connection is unavailable while a call between a  
telephone and a party is in progress;

means for receiving at least one message;

means for saving the at least one message until the connection~~a connection~~ is  
available; and

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means for sending the at least one message to the party of the call after the connection is available; and

means for requesting, from the telephone to the server, that a server send a transcript of previously-sent messages stored at the server from the server to the party of the call after the connection is available.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 6, wherein the means for sending the at least one message further comprises:

means for sending the at least one message ~~to a designated recipient via the~~ server ~~server~~.

9. (Original) The apparatus of claim 8, further comprising:

means for receiving an acknowledgment that the at least one message was received at the server; and

means for presenting the acknowledgment.

10. (Original) The apparatus of claim 8, further comprising:

means for receiving an acknowledgment that the at least one message was sent from the server to the party; and

means for presenting the acknowledgment.

11. (Currently Amended) A signal-bearing medium encoded with instructions, wherein the instructions when executed comprise:

detecting that a connection is lost while a call between a telephone and a party is in progress;

prompting for a message in response to the detecting;

receiving the message in response to the prompting;

determining whether the connection is available;

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if the connection is unavailable, saving the message until the connection is available; and

sending the message to ~~the party~~ party of the call after the connection is available; and

requesting, from the telephone to the server, that a server send a transcript of previously-sent messages stored at the server from the server to the party of the call after the connection is available.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Canceled)

14. (Canceled)

15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) A server comprising:

a processor; and

a storage device encoded with instructions, wherein the instructions when executed on the processor comprise:

receiving a command, wherein the command designates a destination and a criteria, and wherein the command is sent to the server from a telephone in response to the telephone detecting that a connection is lost while a call from the telephone to a party is in progress,

retrieving a transcript of previously-sent messages~~at least one saved message at the server~~ based on the criteria,

determining whether ~~the connection~~ a connection is available, and

when the connection is available, sending the transcript of previously-sent messages~~at least one saved message~~ to the destination, wherein the destination comprises the party to the call.

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17. (Original) The server of claim 16, wherein the criteria further comprise:  
an identification of a sender that previously sent the saved message via the server.
18. (Original) The server of claim 16, wherein the criteria further comprise:  
an identification of a receiver that previously received the saved message from the server.
19. (Currently Amended) The server of claim 16, wherein the instructions further comprise:  
sending an acknowledgement to the telephone~~an originator of the command~~ after the receiving.
20. (Currently Amended) The server of claim 16, wherein the instructions further comprise:  
sending an acknowledgment to the telephone~~an originator of the command~~ after the sending.